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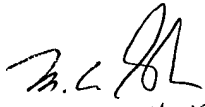
1. Receipt is acknowledged of the response filed on 12-23-2002 by fax and the response mailed 1/16/2003.
2. The substitute specification filed 12/23/02 and 1/16/03 has not been entered because it does not conform to 37 CFR 1.125(b) because: neither amendment includes a marked-up copy in addition to the clean copy and both lack a statement that the substitute specifications contain no new matter -- see 37 CFR 1.125(b).
3. The amendments to the claims have also not been entered because they have not been submitted in proper form. See 37 CFR 1.121.
4. The reply filed on 12/23/2002 or 1/16/2003 therefore is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): See paragraphs 2 and 3 above. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**
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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Mr. Graham at telephone number (703) 308-1113.

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